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SUBJ: INDO-PAK RELATIONS-CIVIL AIR NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A. ISLAMABAD 4651 B. KARACHI 0966

1. IN DISCUSSION YESTERDAY NIAZ A. NAIK, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY, MFA, INFORMED DCM THAT HE EXPECTS FURTHER INDO-PAK NEGOTIATIONS ON THE RESUMPTION OF AIR LINKS MAY TAKE PLACE IN THE NEAR FUTURE, POSSIBLY NEXT MONTH. SIX DAYS AGO INDIAN FOREIGN SECRETARY KEWAL SINGH NOTIFIED PAK FOREIGN SECRETARY AGHA SHAHI HE WAS PREPARED TO TRAVEL TO ISLAMABAD TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS LOOKING TOWARD THE RESUMPTION OF BILATERAL AIR SERVICES.

2. NAIK SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN FIRM POSITION IT COULD NOT "WITHDRAW" ITS CASE AGAINST THE INDIANS
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WHICH IS PENDING BEFORE ICAO BUT WAS PREPARED TO AGREE

IN WRITING "TO SUSPEND" OR "TO PUT IN ABEYANCE" INDEFINITELY THE
ICAO CASE. NAIK SAID DECISION ON THE KEWAL SINGH OFFER
IS AWAITED FROM THE PRIME MINISTER. IT IS THE HOPE
NEGOTIATIONS CAN TAKE PLACE SOME TIME NEXT MONTH AND
NAIK IS OPTIMISTIC BOTH SIDES WOULD COME TO AGREEMENT.
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